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70/6. Implementation of the decision of the Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Meeting on a Regional Arrangement for the Facilitation of Cross-border Paperless Trade

The Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific,

Noting that the Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Meeting on a Regional Arrangement for the Facilitation of Cross-border Paperless Trade was held in Bangkok from 22 to 24 April 2014, in accordance with the mandates contained in Commission resolution 68/3 and in the report of the Committee on Trade and Investment on its third session,

Welcoming the successful outcome of the Meeting,[1]

Noting that the work of the interim steering group on cross-border paperless trade facilitation would not duplicate but complement the work being done in relation to the implementation of the World Trade Organization Trade Facilitation Agreement,

1. *Endorses* the recommendation of the Meeting to establish an interim intergovernmental steering group on cross-border paperless trade facilitation;

2. *Requests* the Executive Secretary to support and facilitate the establishment and operation of the interim intergovernmental steering group on cross-border paperless trade facilitation in accordance with the terms of reference contained in section I.B of the report of the Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Meeting on a Regional Arrangement for the Facilitation of Cross-border Paperless Trade;[2]

3. Also requests the Executive Secretary to report to the Commission annually on the progress made in the implementation of the present resolution until the work of the steering group has been completed.

Seventh plenary meeting
8 August 2014

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[1] E/ESCAP/70/31.

[2] Ibid.

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